Englewood Sun Coast Pickleball Classic
Saturday, December 6 & Sunday, December 7, 2014
Englewood Sports Complex
1300 S. River Rd. Englewood, Fl. 34223

INFORMATION FLYER

The “Englewood Sun Coast Pickleball Classic” will be played at the Englewood Sports Complex located at 1300 South River Rd. Englewood, Florida 34223 which is located in Sarasota County, Florida. (Located right off of River Road, Exit 191 off of I-75). The tournament will be played on their 6 new pickleball courts that are opening October 25, 2014. These are located right next to the tennis courts. Four of the tennis courts will be converted to make 14 total courts.

This is a big step for the Englewood Pickleball Club and their Facility Manager who believed that Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America! The Englewood Pickleball Club led by John Foard and Al Hayden spearheaded the efforts to have the new courts put in, along with the Facility Manager and Program Coordinator Wendy Aldridge. Pickleball was launched off the ground at their facility a few years ago, with three courts inside and now they look forward to hosting their first tournament on their 6 new designated outdoor Pickleball Courts!

The tournament will take place on Saturday, December 6, and Sunday, December 7, 2014. There will be Open Practice on Friday beginning at 2pm- 5:30 pm. Please wait until this time so setup can be completed before you arrive. The Dura Ball will be used. There are area hotels to stay, beautiful beaches nearby and plenty to do if you are not too worn out after playing pickleball!

Age Breakdown with Skill Format

- This format is breaking down the age levels further within the skill level. Instead of just skill level
- We feel this is a much better format to use, to help encourage players of all ages to stay involved with the skill level tournaments
- It allows for the competition between teams that are not only close in skill but now closer in age
- An excellent venue for those that are starting out for the first time playing in tournaments
- The venue is an excellent one to use with 14 courts, and lighted for any evening play if necessary.
- You do not have to be a USAPA member to participate, but must be at least 19 years or older by December 31, 2014.
- The yellow Dura Ball will be used.

**The Skill Level Categories and Age Format** we will be using are as follows:

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**You will be circling not only your Skill Level but also your Age Group when signing up. You may always play down to the lower age group within your Skill Level.** (Example: Age 57, if you are 4.0 you could sign up for 4.0 - (19-49) but you cannot sign up for 4.0 - (60-69) or higher.

- You must play down to the youngest age group of the partners
- You must play up to the highest skill level of the partners
- IF you have won 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in any skill level tournaments more than once this past year it is highly recommended that you move to the next level.
- Tournament Directors reserve the right to move anyone into the correct skill level if necessary, or to combine an age level within the skill level if needed, to ensure adequate playing time.

**SCORING**

- Matches will be 2 out of 3 games to 11pts, win by 2pts. for all upper bracket matches
- Back Draw will be one game to 15pts. win by 2 pts.
- All finals matches will be 2 out of 3 games to 11pts win by 2pts. If the back draw player(s) win, then a second game to 15pts. win by 2pts. will be played to determine the first place team.
- This is a double elimination tournament.
- If there are fewer than 6 teams then a Round Robin Format may be used. One game to 15 pts or 21 pts. win by one pt. for each match played. The team with the most points won will determine the winner, if there is a tie, then head to head competition will determine the winners.

**Hotels**
We are working with area hotels for some off season pricing, to help with any of those that are travelling via air, or driving and would like to stay a few nights. An updated hotel list will be available in one week.
Entry Fees
$ 35.00 Base Fee, includes Up to Two Events, Player Bag, and Tournament Shirt
$_________ TOTAL

Entry Forms and Flyer can be printed from:
  • www.Pickleballspecialties.com or at
  • www.USAPA.org under the heading Tournament Schedule.

Mailed Registrations must be:
  • Postmarked by Tuesday November 18, 2014
  • On-line registration will close Monday, November 24, 2014 at 11:58pm

Make Checks payable to: Pickleball Tournaments
(In the memo portion at the bottom of check please write: Englewood Classic)

Please mail all entries to:

Pickleball Tournaments
P.O. Box 383
Oxford, Florida
34484

We look forward to seeing all of you, and appreciate your taking the time to enjoy some great pickleball!
Any Questions Please call: 419-320-3655 / 954-309-5882 or email: pickleballtournaments@gmail.com

STARTING TIMES
  • All starting times for Men’s and Women’s Doubles to be played on Saturday will be emailed to participants by Tuesday December 2, 2014, for play on Saturday.
  • All Mixed Doubles starting times will be emailed on Wednesday December 3, 2014 for play on Sunday

Your Tournament Directors,
Nancy Meyer
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